

California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region

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Governor

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Mr. James Stull Continental Heat Treating 10643 Norwalk Boulevard Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7009 2820 0001 6537 5340

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF REOUEST TO MODIFY GROUNDWATER MONITORING

AND REPORTING SCHEDULE, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA WATER CODE

SECTION 13267 ORDER

SITE/CASE:

CONTINENTAL HEAT TREATING, 10643 SOUTH NORWALK BOULEVARD,

SANTA FE SPRINGS (SCP NO. 1057, SITE ID NO. 204GW00)

Dear Mr. Stull:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) staff has received a letter from your attorney, Mr. Michael A. Francis of Demetriou, Del Guercio, Springer & Francis, LLP, dated February 16, 2012 (Letter), requesting modification of the subject site's groundwater monitoring program from a quarterly to semi-annual schedule.

The Letter requests the change in the monitoring schedule to coordinate monitoring events with the adjacent property, former Mobil Jalk Fee facility (ExxonMobil), which is required to sample semiannually with monitoring periods in May and November. The Letter indicates that Continental Heat Treating and ExxonMobil have agreed that their respective groundwater events should be coordinated to occur at the same time.

Following our review of the Letter and case files for the subject site, we have the following comments and requirements in response to your request to modify the groundwater monitoring program:

1. Based on the quarterly groundwater monitoring data collected since August 2010, Regional Board staff has determined that sufficient data have been collected to understand the groundwater contamination and flow direction. Therefore, you are approved to implement a semi-annual groundwater monitoring program at the subject site and vicinity for all existing and new wells installed during the investigations of the groundwater contamination plume originating from the site according to the following schedule:

Monitoring Period

May

November

Report Due Date

August 15th

February 15th

California Environmental Protection Agency

- 2. All future groundwater wells installed on- or off-site shall be sampled for groundwater impact at the time of installation (following development of the wells) and then according to the semi-annual schedule specified above.
- 3. For all future semi-annual groundwater monitoring events, please coordinate with ExxonMobil's consultants so the groundwater monitoring well gauging and sampling for both sites can be completed concurrently.
- 4. If a remedial action plan is implemented in the future to address contamination in groundwater resulting from releases at the subject site, certain groundwater monitoring wells will be required to be monitored more frequently than the above approved semi-annual schedule.

The above modification to the groundwater monitoring program is an amendment to Requirement No. 3 of the existing California Water Code (CWC) section 13267 Order issued by this Regional Board on May 5, 2010. Pursuant to section 13268 of the CWC, failure to submit the required technical reports by the specified due dates may result in civil liability administratively imposed by the Regional Board in an amount up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for every day each report is not received.

If you have any questions, please contact the project manager Mr. David Young at (213) 576-6733 (dyoung@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Samuel Unger/PE Executive Officer

cc:

Mr. Michael A. Francis, Demetriou, Del Guercio, Springer & Francis, LLP

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